



CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
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Health & Wellness

The Woman's Club of Fullerton is an organization full of pride and history. We are extremely proud of the fact that we have been in operation since November of 1902. Our mission is dedicated to uniting women of all ages for community service, supporting charitable organizations, fostering friendships and empowering women through learning about the community around us. The Woman's Club of Fullerton resides in a city of 135,161 community members. Since our 2007 rebirth, we have grown to 66 members and growing.

Project Title: Hiking Friends Hours 80 Donated \$ 0 In Kind \$ 0

The Woman's Club of Fullerton Hiking Friends group of six continues to hike when the mandate allows them to do so. They hike to help improve the physical and mental health of the participating 3 members and 3 non-members. They hike local trails in Fullerton and surrounding communities. Some days they hike 3 miles and other days they hike 7+ miles. Getting outside these crazy times of Covid and sheltering in place helped us keep our mental attitude positive. Social distancing and wearing a mask were mandatory. Seeing how the local wildlife was thriving was wonderful. The group thought the animals appreciated that there were not so many humans on the trails and did group! Spring was the prettiest time of the year was their opinion.

Project Title: Xmas for Mercy House Hours 25 Donated \$ 710 In Kind \$ 90

The President of the Woman's Club of Fullerton was honored to deliver to the Director of Mercy House Living Centers 20 Christmas stockings filled with underwear, socks, toothpaste, toothbrush/dental zipper pouch, hairbrush, and a \$25 gift card. The daughter of our Helping Hands Chair provided an additional 6 stockings filled with travel sized toiletries and full size bottles of shampoo and conditioner and a \$10 gift card also. The club members had also collected 4 large bags of travel size toiletries and also some regular size items for Mercy House to dispense to the Clients they serve throughout the year. Donations this year have been lower because of Covid-19, restricting fundraising, so Mercy House was very grateful to receive these items. The Woman's Club is always so happy to help in any way we can.

Project Title: Look Who's Dancing Hours 10 Donated \$ 0 In Kind \$ 0

Pathways of Hope held their annual Look Who's Dancing Fundraiser in February. Only this year was a little different, they invited back some alumni to dance. Our very own Art and Conservation Chair member was asked back to take part in this incredible event.

The dancers were given three rehearsals to learn the dance routine and one dress rehearsal, totaling 8 hours, not very much time to learn such a hard routine. But the dance was amusing and dancers filled in the time while the votes were being counted. With the help of these great dancers, Pathways of Hope raised \$86,000 for helping the homeless. This funding will help Pathways provide the highest quality of service to our neighbors who are struggling with hunger and homelessness in North Orange County.

Project Title: Crittenton Refugees Hours 6 Donated \$ 100 In Kind \$ 0

Crittenton services welcomed 6 new refugees from India who are unfamiliar with the food being served at their location. It's hard enough coming to a new home but also adding in not being familiar with the food, it can be very stressful. Our Helping Hands Chair wanted the Woman's Club of Fullerton to be involved in making the six young people a little more comfortable. So we purchased groceries they are more familiar with. The children sent to us many beautiful Thank You cards written in their native language, Bengali. It just warmed our hearts to make someone feel more comfortable and welcomed!

Project Title: Crittenton Serenity Garden Hours 6 Donated \$ 2,500 In Kind \$ 0

The Woman's Club of Fullerton donated \$2,500 to help design and install a Therapy/Sensory garden for the children at Crittenton Services. The funds helped to purchase running water to the fountain, new bushes and trees, as well as benches shaded by umbrellas, not only did the funding help the garden, but it also helped 2 Girl Scouts earn the Highest Achievement Award-The Girl Scout Gold Award.

Therapists, case managers, social workers and other staff members use the garden on a daily basis with the kids to help them process and take time to enjoy the garden. In the past years, therapists and clients had only conference rooms available but now, the new space allows them to have peace and serenity outdoors. The Director states "The garden has proven to be uplifting to our kids, providing them some time to reflect as well as a "safe place".

Project Title: Food for the Poor Hours 6 Donated \$ 3,000 In Kind \$ 0

Because of the Covid-19 Pandemic, Saint Mary's Church donations have plummeted. The WCOF donated \$3,000 to continue their vital Feed the Homeless Program. One of their most impactful community Outreach Ministries is their parish food pantries, serving thousands with food and other basic necessities weekly to financially insecure individuals, families, seniors and young adults year-round. Saint Mary's feeds 50 homeless individuals daily, providing a lunch bag with a bottle of water, snacks, instant soup, protein bars and canned food. We were so honored to help this program continue to make a difference in the lives of these individuals.

Project Title: Ending Hunger Hours 6 Donated \$ 2,500 In Kind \$ 0

The Woman's Club of Fullerton was able to provide Pathways of Hope- a local non-profit working to end hunger and homelessness in North Orange County, a check for \$2,500 towards their Covid-19 related efforts. These funds are directly helping and supporting those neighbors who are struggling due to the Pandemic at the HUB of Hope food distribution and resource center.

Pathways rely on the support of organizations in the community and the donation is an act of compassion and affirmation to those in need. This kindness will touch the lives of hundreds of our community's most vulnerable residents during this Covid-19 Pandemic.

Project Title: Making Masks Hours 22 Donated \$ 0 In Kind \$ 0

A member of the Woman's Club of Fullerton converted 16 t-shirts the Club had left over from one of our events into 96 masks. She then donated them to a few groups of people. The list is as follows:

- St Jude employees that were not handling Covid cases
- Fullerton Police Department
- Fullerton Fire Department
- Neighborhood essential workers not needing N95 masks

Our member spent 15 minutes to make each mask and it took her a total of 22 hours to complete the 96 masks. She stated this was such a heartwarming task to complete and to be able to help during this Covid-19 Pandemic.

Project Title: SNF Mask Donation Hours 12 Donated \$ 2,500 In Kind \$ 0

On May 28 the Woman's Club of Fullerton President and Vice President delivered 1, 000 masks to 3 Skilled Nursing Facilities located in Fullerton. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, masks were in desperate need and along with our sponsor Ocean Subaru of Fullerton; we were able to purchase these masks. The recipients were very grateful for our donation and will help many residents and staff stays safe and healthy. This was a very rewarding donation, we were so glad to be able to help out these facilities.